

MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SEVENTEENTH DAY,

Thursday, 18th July 1957.

The House met in the Assembly Hall, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore, at Two of the Clock.

MR. SPEAKER (SRI S. R. KANTHI, B.A., LL.B.) in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Conversion of Mangalore Port as all Weather Port

Q.—460. Dr. K. N. ALVA (Panemangalore).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the development of the Mangalore Port will be taken up on hand immediately ;

(b) whether there is any scheme with regard to the converting of Mangalore Port into an all weather port ?

A.—Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA (Minister for Labour and Legal Affairs).—

(a) The question of development of Mangalore Port is already taken up and model experiments are being conducted at present to find out the possibility of developing Mangalore Port into a Lagoon type harbour.

(b) This depends on the results of model experiments now on hand.

Establishment of a separate Department for Ports in the State

Q.—200. Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) when a separate department of Ports was established in the State ;

(b) the progress made in the matter of ports improvement so far ?

A.—Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA (Minister for Labour and Legal Affairs).—

(a) On 11th May 1957.

(b) The question of development of Mangalore Port into an all-weather Port or a Major Port has been taken up and at the instance of Government of India, model experiments are being conducted at present at the Central Water and Power Research Station, Poona, in order to find out the possibilities of developing this Port into a Lagoon type harbour.

Recommendations have been made to the Government of India for the development of Malpe Port into a Major Port and that question is before the Government of India.

Besides, improvement works included in the Second Five-Year Plan estimated to cost Rs. 5.75 lakhs in respect of the several Minor Ports and Rs. 5 lakhs in respect of Mangalore Port are under different stages of execution.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Sir, Hon'ble the Minister has said in his printed answer that modern experiments were being conducted. May I know the results of these experiments ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Sir, I recently visited and returned from Poona where the experiments are being carried on. They are finalising the report which will go to the Central Government very early through the State Government. There is every likelihood of Mangalore being developed as an all weather port very early.